Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the Claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

    1-5.   (Canceled)

    6.   (Previously Presented) A method for mapping a knowledge base into a hierarchical framework to facilitate reusability of task objects between related work domains, the method comprising:

        defining a set of taxonomies comprising members of a universe of activity objects for a methodology;

        organizing a set of task objects of singular granularity into object groups having in common a relation to one member of the taxonomy; and

        publishing onto an application server for access by a user through an electronic display a plurality of documents having a hierarchical linkage, wherein a highest level document displays the set of taxonomies with links to a set of second level documents, each second level document representing an activity object instantiating a single member of the taxonomy, the second level document having links to a group of third-level documents, each third level document representing a task objects instantiating a single task object of singular granularity;

wherein each methodology is mapped to a selection of a set of taxonomies, whereby an instantiation of an activity object from one methodology may be reused for another methodology.

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7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein the activity objects are established by defining a first set of taxonomies sharing in common a first characteristic inherent to each member in the first set of taxonomies; and defining a second set of taxonomies sharing in common a second characteristic inherent to each member in the second set of taxonomies; the first set of characteristics being independent of the second set of characteristics; and associating with an activity object one member of the first set of taxonomies and one member of the second set of taxonomies.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein the first characteristic is a time sequence, and the second characteristic is a skill set.

9-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the activity objects correspond to activities that describe a process of the ~~the~~ a methodology, wherein each activity object includes role information that identifies skill sets needed to complete a task for the activity ~~requires the use of a unique skill set domain~~; wherein the task objects corresponds to tasks that describe each activity; and wherein a set of steps describe each task.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 13, wherein the activities include: Human Resources, Unit Management, Finance and Reporting, Performance Measurement, Process and Quality Management, Service Management, Technology Enablement, and Facilities and Equipment.

15.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the activities include:

analyzing, designing, building and testing application~~;~~

~~analyzing, designing, building and testing technical architecture;~~

~~analyzing, designing, building and testing training and performance support~~.

16.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the activities correspond to ~~workstreams that group together~~ a group of processes that are usually performed by a team of people with related skill sets, the ~~workstreams~~ the group of processes including: project management, application, content, technical architecture, training and performance support, business process, organization, facilities and equipment, and service introduction;

wherein for each ~~workstreams~~ of the group of processes at least one activity corresponds to one of the group comprising: analyzing, designing, building, and testing ~~each stage of work within a project from the group comprising: analyze, design, build, and test~~; and

wherein the task objects of singular granularity comprise a single outcome.

17.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein one object group is associated with planning the implementation of ~~a system~~ an application development project for a methodology, and defining a set of tasks for deploying the ~~system~~ application development project.

18. – 21.   (Withdrawn)

22.   (New) The method of claim 6, where the highest level document represents a methodology mapped to one of the selections of a set of taxonomies; where each of the second level documents are activity documents that identify activity objects for one of the respective taxonomies from the set of taxonomies; and where each of the third level documents are task documents that identify task objects for one of the activity documents.

23.   (New) The method of claim 22, where each of the activity documents include an activity planning chart that contains graphically depicted tasks for the task objects.

24.   (New) The method of claim 23, where each of the activity documents employ colors to designate the roles for the tasks associated with the activities objects.

25.   (New) The method of claim 22, where each of the task documents include: a task planning chart that contains process steps for each of the tasks; and a list of the principle objectives and outcomes for each of the tasks.